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Dear Interested Party:

Following recommendations by the Washington State Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, the Department of Social and Health Services - Health and Recovery Services Administration (DSHS-HRSA), the Health Care Authority - Uniform Medical Plan (UMP), and the Department of Labor & Industries (L&I) have named the following drugs as preferred in their respective therapeutic classes on the Washington State Preferred Drug List:

Statin

rosuvastatin (Crestor®)

§ lovastatin

§ pravastatin **

§ Generic products only.

** HRSA (Medicaid) requires EPA for patients with a clinical drug-drug interaction with other statin-type cholesterol-lowering agents.

Each agency will use the common PDL according to its benefit structure. The Department of Labor & Industries does not cover this class of drugs.

The Department of Social and Health Services - Health and Recovery Services Administration (DSHS-HRSA) and the Health Care Authority - Uniform Medical Plan (UMP) will implement the Statin class on April 1, 2007.

If you have other questions or comments regarding this announcement, please contact Regina Chacon at (206) 521-2027 or by email at regina.chacon@hca.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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